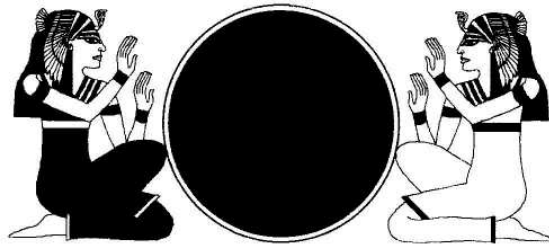


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A Numerological Look at 2009

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I am rather relieved that a new year has finally begun because 2008 has ended up being a rather trying year for many people I know. Numerologically it was a "1" year, relating to new beginnings and challenges as well as a final attempt to discard the unwanted. Personal crises and self realisations seem to have appeared over and over, not to mention on the global scene we have been faced with rising petrol prices and mortgage rates, as well as the US subprime mortgage debacle whose ripple effects is being felt around the world.

Now we have entered a new year and it seems as if a whole range of possibilities is now open to us. This could have something to do with 2009 not being just any old year, for in numerology, it is a "11/2" year which makes it somewhat special. Let me explain.

The number "11" is known as a "Master Number", being a double digit of the same number. This means that the vibrational frequency of the prime number (the "1") doubles in power. As mentioned above, a basic understanding on the number "1" is that it relates to new beginnings. When it is doubled to create the number "11", these

attributes are doubled meaning and are often thought to relate to a higher, global or even more spiritual level.

A further aspect to the number “11” is that when reduced to a single digit, it becomes the number “2”. This is the number of duality and balance, as well as relating to equality, justice and kindness. When this is related back to the number “11”, it means that “11” also carries a vibrational frequency of balance, and equality between the masculine and the feminine.

When we look at the number “11” itself, we see that it is made up of two straight lines running parallel to each other. They never touch and are quite separate in their own right. This can be likened to the concept mentioned above of the duality of masculine and feminine whereby they are individual in their own right, when they come together, it is as if they blend to make a “higher” entity or aspect. This thought relates to working with the energy of the number “11” where ultimately it is up to us as to whether we keep the energies separate or use it blended for a higher purpose which will in effect benefit those on a more global and spiritual level.

The number “11” reminds us that whilst we need to work on our own selves, we must never lose sight of the ultimate goal, and that is whatever we do should ultimately be for the benefit of lifting the spiritual vibration and evolution of the human race as a whole. We need to keep in mind the axiom of “Healer, heal thyself”. When we ourselves are operating at our best or highest level, our ability to share and assist others with true compassion is achieved.

This may seem to be a big responsibility but if we all step up to take on this responsibility, we will realise that we are all in fact interconnected within the web of life, and we are not isolated, spiritually independent beings. Indeed, if we look closely to global events, we will notice that a series of changes have slowly been taking place over the last few years.

With 2009 being a “Master Number” year, on a personal, more individual level, it means that what we have been setting up in the past will have a greater impact spiritually, and

more widely than before. We need to think beyond ourselves and our immediate loved ones. This is possibly the reason why 2008 has been so trying for many people as old blockages have had to be shifted with the approaching “Master Number” year of 2009.

The number “11” is the first number which cannot be represented by a human being using our ten fingers and this reason could explain why it is often considered to be a mysterious number. Added to this is the belief that it carries many psychic vibrations. It is believed that those people who have an “11” in their name and who recognise its spiritual meaning are often quite sensitive to psychic activities.

At the end of the day, the energy of the number “11” is about integrating the energies of the individual into the bigger picture – that means respecting the differences we all have, especially with respect to our individual spiritual paths. It is up to each of us to rise to the challenge – if we are game enough.

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